

ANTI-FOOD TRUST
LEAGUE AT WORKConditions in This City Will
Be Studied.

MAY TAKE QUICK ACTION

War on High Food Prices Is
Already Nation-wide.

Ohio the Stronghold of the "No-Meat Crusade"—Estimated that a Million Persons Have Become Interested in the Boycott—Chicago Next to Be Invaded by the Promoters—Dr. Scharf in Wilmington.

The board of directors of the National Anti-Food Trust League has begun a crusade for lower prices in this city. While other cities are engaging in boycotts, the local representatives of the organization are trying gentler, but fully as effective, means.

To-day a representative will call on Corporation Counsel Thomas to learn what disposition he will make of a request from the oyster dealers that citizens of the District be denied the privilege of purchasing the bivalves from the boats at the wharf.

This action follows the receipt of a letter by the District Commissioners, in which the licensed dealers asked that they be given the exclusive privilege of dealing in oysters. This petition was turned over to the corporation counsel.

The league's representative will call on Health Officer Woodward, to learn whether there is great danger of stale food being purchased direct from the producer. With hundreds of householders already enrolled, the league is rapidly extending its usefulness, and will take prompt action, if the conditions warrant it.

War Is Nation-wide.

The war on high food prices is nationwide. From every part of the country come telegrams telling of the aroused sentiment. Missouri, Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, and Michigan, are now included in the ranks of the crusaders in the West, while in the East, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, and Delaware are lifting their voices in feeble protests.

Ohio, however, is still the stronghold of the movement. The Cleveland boycott has extended to Canton, where the Central Labor Union has adopted a no-meat resolution, and petitions are being circulated with surprising results; to Columbus, where a strong boycott has been organized, to Toledo, Akron, and other cities of the State.

The crusade in Ohio has found encouragement in the publicly expressed belief of Gov. Harmon that a food trust is gobbling excessive profits somewhere between the producer and the consumer. He has called on the legislature to hunt the trust out of the woods and exhibit it to the people.

It is estimated that more than 1,000,000 persons have in a brief week become actively interested in the boycott. Dispatches from Chicago last night said that the boycott soon will be started in that city by the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Temporary Expedient.

"The idea of depriving ourselves of meat simply to get lower prices does not appeal to federation people," said Secretary Charles Nockels, "but we propose to adopt the idea as a temporary expedient, in order to bring more sharply to the attention of the packer the fact that they cannot trifle with the consumers of Chicago. We hope to give the idea such strong endorsement that it will spread to all parts of the country."

A dispatch from Kansas City says that the experiment of the Bricklayer Union in pledging itself to abstain from meat for thirty days was received so favorably on the first days that other labor organizations of that city will follow its example. In more than 100 Kansas City homes yesterday families sat down to meatless meals in accordance with the bricklayers' pledge, while the anti-meat movement has spread also to Atchison, Leavenworth, St. Joseph, Topeka, and other cities in that part of the country.

Progress in Omaha.

Omaha reported progress with the list which the union leaders say will number 8,000 by the end of the week. The Omaha laborers pledge themselves to ignore meat for thirty days. No organized movement, however, has been undertaken in Pittsburgh as yet, but many are deserting the meat stands, both on grounds of sympathy and lean pocketbooks.

Dr. E. L. Scharf, president of the Anti-Food Trust League, organized several local sections in Wilmington, Del., last night. To-night he will be in Baltimore.

Wilmington takes courage from the fact that her housewives forced the price of turkey down several notches in the Christmas holidays by refusing to buy at 45 cents a pound.

Nauvutuck, Conn., is kicking against the price of butter. It has gone to 45 cents a pound there—the choice creamery brand. The employees in the rubber factories stood for the butter prices until even soared to 55 cents, and then they got together and decided to spread cream or something else, not butter, on their bread. There are about 500 of these.

Buttons Worn in Baltimore.

Baltimore is a new convert to the anti-meat eating campaign. The fight there is being led by the Federation of Labor and its 102 affiliated unions. An order was placed yesterday for 50,000 buttons bearing the inscription: "I don't buy meat; do you?"

These buttons are to be distributed to the various unions in the city and passed out to the members who take the pledge. A committee is engaged in drawing up a resolution which will be presented to the city council.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return. Saturdays and Sundays via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets good returning until Sunday night. All regular trains except "Congressional Limited."

FIND "SON OF COL. GRAY"
A GIRL IN MAN'S CLOTHESNew York Police Make Interesting Discovery When
Young Englishwoman Tells Strange Story.

New York, Jan. 20.—A young person who has been masquerading as "the son of Col. Hamilton Gray" was charged with violation of the corporation ordinance which forbids a girl to wear man's clothes publicly.

The young woman says she is Marian Hamilton Gray. She adds that she is nineteen years old and unmarried, and that she has no occupation. She was born in Ferozpet, India, she says, the daughter of Col. Hamilton Gray, of the British army.

Her father died when she was four

years old, and she left India and went to England when she was ten, her mother also having died before that time.

The young woman said that she did not know that she was violating any law by her masquerade, and added that she had worn men's clothes since she was ten years old—since she had left India—and that she was not really to blame for wearing them anyway, since she was forced to do so by "circumstances beyond her control," which she declined to specify.

Upon being arraigned in the New York court she was discharged.

sent to the governor of Maryland asking for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the increase of cost of living.

The Baltimore unions are preparing an appeal to the commercial bodies of the city asking their aid in keeping down the sale of meat. The women of Baltimore are joining in the movement and it is expected that several women's clubs will endorse it within a few days.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland—Unsettled, with rain to-day; colder by night; to-morrow, fair and colder; brisk, and possibly high southerly, shifting to west and northwest, winds.

GEORGE KEPPEL HERE.

He Is Husband of England's Most
Famous Woman.

There is one person who stands higher in England than any other, and that is Mrs. George Keppel.

This handsome, clever woman, whose name and fame is known throughout the British Isles, has driven many other ambitious women raging with jealousy. George Keppel, husband of this court beauty and brilliant woman, accompanied by E. J. Frewen, both of London, are guests at the New Willard. Mr. Keppel is interested in ordnance, guns, and electric submarines, and such hackneyed subjects, and will go to Indian Head to-day to look at something of that sort, unless he receives an invitation to a 5 o'clock tea or some other equally exciting function.

At any rate, Mrs. Keppel's husband is here.

BRITISH AS MEDIATOR.

America and Japan Negotiating a
New Immigration Treaty.

Birmingham, Jan. 20.—The Post to-day states that for some time past the American and Japanese governments have been trying to negotiate a new immigration treaty.

It was found that the two countries could not reach an agreement on certain vital points, and it was thereupon decided to seek the good offices of the British government as mediator.

This offer was accepted by Great Britain, but action by this country in the matter has been delayed, owing to the general election, which has taken up the time of all the members of the cabinet.

NO INCREASE TO TRAINMEN.

New York Central Will Confer with
Its Employees, However.

New York, Jan. 20.—The New York Central Railroad to-day refused to grant the increase in the wages of the conductors and trainmen as had been requested, but within a few days officials of the road will confer with a committee representing the road's employees.

There is no probability of a strike of conductors and trainmen, in spite of the fact that requests for increased pay have been made on thirty-two roads east of the Mississippi River and north of the Potomac.

To-day was the day set for an answer from the roads, according to dispatches from Chicago to W. G. Lee, head of the Brotherhood of Trainmen. None of the roads granted the requests.

Has McClung's Signature.

New Haven, Jan. 20.—There has just been deposited in the University Library by the Hon. Lee McClung, Treasurer of the United States, the first sheet of United States currency to be engraved with his signature as Treasurer of the United States.

A SABBATH FOR CLERGY.

When the work-a-day world relaxes on the Sabbath there is one class whose efforts, instead of being lessened, are rather increased, and this despite the fact that their task during the six working days is most onerous. These are the ministers, whose strength and vitality is so rapidly wasted that the death list is an appalling one.

Washington has lost recently, Father Stafford, Rev. Mr. Fishburn, and Dr. Butler. What is responsible for this loss to the city? The local clergy will present their views in an elaborate article in The Washington Herald next Sunday.

This should be of interest to every resident of the District of Columbia. Be sure to get a copy of The Washington Herald on Sunday.

FAMILY OF THREE
BEATEN TO DEATHNo Evidence of Struggle in
New York Flat.

POLICE FIND NO CLEW

Windows Nailed, Doors Locked,
and Dog Chained in Hall.

Italian, His Wife, and Woman Living with Them, Most Brutally Slain, but Motive Is Entirely Lacking—Flat in Perfect Order, Except Trunk, Which Was Overturned and Ransacked.

New York, Jan. 20.—Salvatore Scalpone, his young wife, Felicia Maria, and Concetta Martine, the old woman who was doing the housework, were found to death in their flat at 10 Montgomery street some time Wednesday night or early this morning.

All of the windows in the flat were not only locked, but the sashes were nailed to the casements. The hall door was locked and could not be forced by the police. There was no trap door leading from the flat, which was the top one, to the roof.

Dog Chained in Hallway.

And Pietro, a big brindle bull dog with an evil temper, was chained in the hallway. He was tearing his heart out with yelps and snarls when they found him in the afternoon, but he hadn't made a sound during the night or all through the day until the folks in the house became alarmed at the stiffness in the Scalpone flat and called the police.

There was not the smallest evidence that there had been a struggle and the flat was in perfect order except that a trunk in the bedroom had been overturned and ransacked.

The Scalpones and their companion were certainly not murdered for their money or their jewelry, because \$27 was found in a bag around Mrs. Scalpone's neck. Concetta Martin had in the pocket of her dress \$27 in American money, and about \$54 in Italian bills.

Both Wore Diamonds.

Both women wore diamond earrings and both had rings on their fingers when they bodies were found—Felicia a diamond engagement ring and a plain gold ring, and Concetta a gold band ring.

There was hardly any other theory possible than that a man, who must have been extremely muscular, hated the Scalpones so greatly, that he killed them all in the most brutal way imaginable.

Salvatore was thirty years old, and owned a five-chair barber shop at the northeast corner of East Broadway and Montgomery street. His wife was twenty-five years old.

They were not known to have had any enemies, and the police are at sea for a clew to the outrage.

WANTS COOK TO PAY.

Woman Stenographer Attaches the
Bank Account of Explorer.

New York, Jan. 20.—Miss Rose Webster, a stenographer who did work for Dr. Frederick A. Cook for eight days at the Waldorf-Astoria last fall, recovered a judgment of \$9 against him by default in the Municipal Court to-day. Later her counsel attached Dr. Cook's bank account.

FIRE ON STEAMSHIP.

Old Dominion Liner at Norfolk with
Outbreak in Cargo.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 20.—The Old Dominion Steamship Company's steamship Hamilton arrived here from New York to-day with another fire in her cargo. The Norfolk fire department is in readiness but every effort is being made to extinguish by steam the blaze, which is in the lower hatch.

WALSH TO AID BANKS.

Convict Agrees to Assist in Reorganizing
Bankruptcy Work.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—John R. Walsh, in prison, will still be the staff upon which the associated banks of Chicago will lean heavily in the task of reorganizing the Walsh railroads preparatory to the suit by the banks to recover the face of the \$7,121,587.12 note they released to Mr. Walsh, according to a clause in the agreement, by which the former banker's financial tangle was settled recently.

The "Walsh settlement agreement," as the document is designated, contains the specific promise of Mr. Walsh to lend the aid of his remaining small holdings "and of his experience and knowledge of the properties" to the reorganization.

TAFT ADDRESSES
INSURANCE HEADSModel Law Would Effect
Great Purpose, He Says.

OUR PEOPLE VINDICATED

Examination Has Proven Hon-
esty of Americans.

President Taft was the principal speaker yesterday at the closing session of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, which has endeavored to lay plans for the enactment of uniform laws concerning insurance. The President said, in part:

"You represent possibly the greatest—certainly one of the most important—instrumentalities for the promotion of the saving of capital in the world. You represent possibly the most important trustees in the world, those who take care of others' money in a fiduciary capacity.

"It is not many years ago—certainly not more than ten years ago—when the investigation into the management by some of the companies precipitated upon this country what might be called an introspective investigation into the business of standards and integrity of the country; and while the revelations of those investigations did not show any extreme violations of the fiduciary relation—I mean extreme in proportion to the amount of money saved for others with due care—they did show instances which aroused the whole business community and the community in general to the necessity of a housecleaning, and the public became most acute in condemning every departure, however slight, from the strictest line to be laid down for fiduciary duty.

Vindicate American People.

"Now, I have no doubt that you are glad, as we all are glad, that that examination was had, and that it resulted ultimately in vindicating the honesty of the American people, and also the general honesty and business integrity of American business men.

"You are here, as I understand it, to secure uniformity in insurance legislation throughout the country. You are very sorry that the United States may not find in the Constitution the right to render uniform the insurance business throughout the country.

"Certainly the Supreme Court seems to have settled that question, and your duty therefore, is to secure uniformity of action by the States that the result will be similar to a single Federal act controlling the business. That is a long, hard task, because the conditions that surround the legislatures of one State may differ very largely from the conditions surrounding the legislatures of other States.

"The only function that the United States can perform is to pass a model law in the District of Columbia, and then show to the world that Congress aided, possibly, by a scientific commission, shall believe to be the best kind of an insurance law.

"I shall be glad, in so far as any power lies in me, to encourage such action. No one who is at all familiar with the business of this country can be blind to the tremendous importance of the life insurance business.

Must Read Policies.

"It comes home to every one, and also its fiduciary quality. I have been on the bench and at the bar, and I have read that must read their policies to know what they contain, with a view to understanding what the contract is; and then I am conscious of never having read through any of the policies which I have taken out, because I trusted the men who explained them to me. But Congress, by a federal law, can effect a great purpose."

George T. Ide, president of the Home Life Insurance Company, of New York, and Walter Wyman, of the Public Health and Welfare Department, of the United States, were also present. Dr. E. W. Dwight, medical director of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Boston, were other speakers.

Paul Morton, president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, and Jesse R. Clark, president of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, were present at yesterday's session.

Surg. Gen. Walter Wyman delivered an address, taking for his subject "Work of the Federal Government in the matter of health conservation, and what may be done to supplant it." He described the government's quarantine system as applied both at seaports and inland by the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.

Reviews Bureau's Work.

The suppression of the many common contagious diseases, he said, would at no distant day be as uncommon and rare as they are common to-day. He reviewed the work of the International Sanitary Bureau, which was established by treaty with foreign countries, showing the important work that bureau has done.

JUDGE WILLIAMS SUED.

Hurled Ink Well at Judge Sanders
in Court Room at Welch, W. Va.

Romoke, Va., Jan. 20.—Judge Joseph Sanders, of Bluefield, W. Va., has filed suit against Attorney General-elect Samuel L. Williams asking for \$25,000 for injuries which the jurist received from an ink well which was hurled at him by Williams after the life had been passed while a case was being tried in Welch, W. Va.

Judge Williams has been indicted by a West Virginia grand jury for felony, but the case has been postponed until February 3. At one time it was thought that the requisition would be made by the West Virginia authorities upon the governor of Virginia asking for the extradition of Williams.

Judge Sanders was formerly a member of the Supreme Court of West Virginia.

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INSURGENT NO. 4.



M. P. KINKAID, OF NEBRASKA.

WALSH AND MORSE ARE BUSY
AT CLIPPING THE NEWSPAPERSChicago Banker Has Private Room,
Dainty Food, and Holds
Daily Levees.

Fort Leavenworth, Kans., Jan. 20.—Convinced to-day is enjoying every luxury that the money of John R. Walsh can buy.

From the moment Walsh entered the great Federal penitentiary these influences were evident. He was not content to pose for the "rogues' gallery" picture, he was not measured at a Bertillon. His food is dainty and daintily served; other prisoners are forced to eat coarse fare.

The warden has given him a private room with bath, soft mattress, warm blankets, white linen sheets, in short, all the luxuries of life possible within prison walls. Here he holds levees daily.

Walsh was sentenced to five years at "hard labor" and Maj. McCloughy, who is an old friend of Walsh, has decided that clipping newspapers is about the heaviest work that the Chicago bank wrecker can stand.

Former Ice King Spends Time in
Reading, Smoking, and Chat-
ting with Warden.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 20.—Although he has been an inmate of the United States penitentiary here for three weeks, C. W. Morse, who was sentenced to fifteen years' hard labor for violating the national banking laws, is doing no work.

Usually when a prisoner arrives he is assigned to some special work unless he is ill. Morse was in good physical condition when he reached the prison, but, though days have grown into weeks, he continues to live a life of ease and idleness.

Were it not for the barred windows through which he must look, Morse might be in his fifth avenue home. He has books and magazines, which he spends his time reading, and he is allowed to smoke all the cigars he wants. His mustache, which was shaved off before he left New York, has grown again, and will not be disturbed.

UNIONISTS GAIN TWO.

Coalition Thus Far Has a Clean Ma-
jority of 55.

London, Jan. 20.—Of the forty-seven pollings to-day, only twelve were declared to-night, of which two show Unionist gains. Westminster, the last London constituency, remained faithful to the Unionists, adding 2,917 Unionist and 1,731 Liberal votes to the metropolitan table. The parties are now represented as follows:

Liberal, 138; Nationalists, 52; Laborites, 28, and Unionists, 164. The coalition thus far has a majority of 55. The net Unionist gains hitherto are 90.

Sixty-seven seats are to be filled to-morrow.

WANT VIRGINIA TO BE "DRY."

Anti-Saloon League's Declare for
State-wide Prohibition.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Richmond, Va., Jan. 20.—Without argument and with a unanimous vote, the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia to-day cast local option to the four winds of the earth, and declared for State-wide prohibition.

The legislature will be asked at this session to pass a bill enabling the people of the State to vote on the question. Work is being done by members of the league, and those members of the general assembly who are opposed to State-wide measures are for the first time just a trifle scared.

It looks as if the "drys" were out to win, and a pretty fight has been precipitated.

SEEK STOLEN EGG.

Entire Police Force Looking for
This Form of Food Product.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 20.—There was consternation to-day at the Scranton poultry show when it was discovered that an egg laid by the \$12,000 prize winning hen, "Lady Washington," had been stolen from the coop in only a short time before.

F. O. Megargue, the owner of the hen, has offered a large reward for the return of the egg, and the entire police force is searching for the thief. A special policeman guards the hen.

CASHIER ENDS F'S LIFE.

John W. Condon III at Time of the
Tragedy.

New Rochelle, N. Y., Jan. 20.—John W. Condon, thirty years old, cashier of the New Rochelle Water Company and a prominent member of the Elks and Knights of Columbus, shot himself to-day. The bullet entered just below the heart, and he died in about half an hour.

Coroner Roedecker is inclined to believe that the shooting was an accident. Condon had been at home several days suffering from the grip, and his friends say that if he shot himself intentionally, it was during mental aberration.

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DEMOCRATS PLAY
SHREWD POLITICSIndorse James and Express
Confidence in Lloyd.

CAUCUS VERY AMUSING

Changes in House Situation May
Delay Probe.

Effort to Restore Rainey Falls, and His Successor Wants to Resign. To-night's Meeting May Settle Status—Republican Majority Stands by Its Caucus Nominees—Minority Will Explain Its Position.

After a while the Senate and House may get to work investigating the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

Just at present the party leaders in the House are too busy endeavoring to keep up with the lightning changes in the situation to pester much about the ultimate outcome.

The rumormongers over this particularly troublesome subject started with the election by the House of Representatives of McCall, of Massachusetts; Olmsted, of Pennsylvania; Denby, of Michigan; Madison, of Kansas; James, of Kentucky, and Lloyd, of Missouri, to membership on the committee of inquiry.

Ends with Indorsement.

It wound up with the indorsement of Mr. James for the job by a hurriedly called Democratic caucus, which also "expressed confidence" in Lloyd, who refuses to serve in Rainey's place, took no action with respect to his successor, and authorized a committee of seven to prepare an "address to the country."

The Democratic caucus was rather amusing. The conservatives, of whom Representative Livingston, of Georgia, is a fine type, urged the radicals not to do anything foolish, and the radicals tried to provoke the conservatives into taking extreme action.

Finally, after Lloyd had been indorsed and James had been told he could serve, Representative Sisson, of Mississippi, offered a resolution for the appointment of a committee of seven members to prepare this previously mentioned "address to the country."

When the caucus adjourned about later, the Democrats came streaming out, and half a dozen of them announced that the Sisson motion had been lost.

Carlin Was Certain.

"It was beaten, 49 to 48," cried Representative Carlin, of Alexandria, as he hurried in the direction of dinner.

But when newspaper men went to Representative Clayton, of Alabama, the caucus chairman, a bit later, and asked him about it, Mr. Clayton had a contrary opinion.

"No, it wasn't lost," he said emphatically. "I ruled that it was carried." Mr. Clayton, being questioned minutely, admitted the vote had been close, but insisted Mr. Sisson's motion had carried. He later elaborated Lloyd's statement by explaining that when a roll call was demanded on the Sisson proposition the caucus had adjourned under 5 o'clock to-night, when the whole business will be settled.

"But I'm going to appoint the committee to-morrow," Mr. Clayton remarked. The election of the committee of six yesterday soon after the House met, was rather a time affair, and had it not been

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SIGN TAKEN LITERALLY.

"Church Afire with Enthusiasm"
Has Real Blaze.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—A large gas sign, bearing the words, "A church on fire with enthusiasm," that hung in front of the Metropolitan Church of Christ, took fire last night while the choir was rehearsing for a revival meeting.

The church soon was filled with smoke. Choir members rushed out in a panic. While the firemen fought the flames, Rev. Nelson Trimble, the pastor, addressed the crowds, inviting them to the forthcoming revival meeting and explaining that the words of the sign were not to be taken literally.

The church was not much damaged.

BIGGEST HAT HE EVER SAW.

Witness Injures Case of Woman
Against Newspaper.

London, Jan. 20.—The trial of the suit of Miss Anneley Kenney, a journalist and daughter of Dr. Kenney, of Titchborne case fame, against Lord Northcliffe and the Associated Newspapers, Limited, for wrongful dismissal from the Daily Mail, one of Lord Northcliffe's publications, was resumed to-day.

Sydney Holland was a witness. He remarked that when Miss Kenney visited the London Hospital she was unsuitably and tremendously overdressed. She wore, he testified, the biggest hat he ever saw, and was adorned with an immense amount of jewelry. Her dress was a bright pink in color, and she had on a wig of considerable size. Her language, Mr. Holland testified, was as exaggerated as her costume.

Miss Kenney was in no way perturbed by this description of her appearance, and suggested that as Mr. Holland's sense of humor did not agree with hers, it was unnecessary to cross-examine him. The evidence was all in, and Miss Kenney proceeded to address the jury.

She concluded by saying: "Gentlemen, give your verdict in favor of the introduction into the Daily Mail office of a little more civility and honor and kindness than was meted out to me."

The jury gave a verdict for Lord Northcliffe and the Associated Newspapers, Limited.